

Notes for Class on May 19, 2022:

First, a comment: We are covering an enormous amount of material, such as all of the planet meanings and planetary pairs in the videos. This is a first overview. I don't expect you to memorize all of this. We will get better at using these ideas as we progress.

1. Functions vs. archetypes: When you look at the placement of Mars in the chart, do you think of Mars as (a) a warrior who is energetic, muscular, hot and prone to action and anger or (b) as a force to achieve.

Bill Gates has a strong Mars. He achieves a lot. He is not muscular. Athletes have particular planetary configurations and Mars is often involved but not more than some other planets.

2. A note about Question 13: Archetypal interpretation of asteroids. How do archetypes develop according to vA?

3. The terms "soul" and "higher self": do we use them in VA. If we do what do they refer to?

4. How do we determine what an aspect is or a zodiac sign or anything else? VA is an EBP so we (1) Use the research feature to find people with the strongest aspect or zodiac sign and see what they are like (essentially the same research method is used in genetics research, (2) Use other research methods I won't go into now, (3) Confirm with clients. In doing this, ask questions, like whether our interpretation would be possible before we knew what the person is like.

This week's homework:

Make a 10-minute video (7 min. to 15 min only!) on observations of large planetary configurations in one or more vibrational charts for yourself or other people. You do NOT need to interpret them because we have not yet gotten into the meanings of the vibrations in detail yet.

NOTE: It is OK if it is just an aspect of 2 planets with a very small orb (1 degree orb at most).

IMPORTANT: Does the meaning of the planetary pair that I give in the video make sense? It is perfectly OK if it does not make sense. We learn from things that don't make sense and we are at a very early stage of chart interpretation so it may not make sense.

Accessing Vibrational Charts and Setting Default Wheel Style:

I will show how this is done.

Examples of excellent homework assignments:

Several of you did an excellent job at homework assignments. Here are two examples of excellent homework because they address information in the homework videos, are direct and clear and present interesting observations and questions that the student has:

Week 1 homework example: 10-minute video from Angela:

<https://www.astrosoftware.com/data/homework1fromangela.mp4>

Week 2 homework example: 14 questions from Dawn:

Question 1: Johannes Kepler, Isaac Newton, Niels Bohr, Erwin Schrödinger, Nikola Tesla, and

Albert Einstein were among the greatest scientists of all time. What was their attitude to mysticism?

They were open to their intuition and were involved in mystical pursuits. Newton was very metaphysical; he read the Bible to understand the geography of cells...I thought that was fascinating!

Question 2: How do you think Carl Jung would respond to this if he were alive today?

Jung would say that there was definitely something to astrology, but it was lacking research of a statistical nature.

Question 3: Do you think the astrology is a road map for the person, like a set of instructions from a "higher" point of view?

Yes, not an "As Above, So Below" as often thought, nor a symbolic language, but it's a reality, it is structures in space. There are structures in the numbers.

Question 4: What do you think of this idea that the underlying principles of physics are also the underlying principles of astrology?

This makes perfect sense to me and it's exciting to see something I have been imagining for years!

Question 5: How do you feel about astrology as an EBP and giving importance to what modern research methods tell us about how astrology works rather than relying only on personal experience and what we learn from others?

I love this approach and I think it's a missing link. Energy Psychology is also focusing on evidence-based practice.

Question 6: Describe in your own words what Dimension Reduction is and what it has to do with the tropical zodiac and with houses.

Dimension reduction is an idea in science that the reality we live in is created in higher dimensions. There's a process where higher dimensions reduce to lower dimensions. In astrology the whole sky is reduced to a circle, the Zodiac, and where circles intersect it is very powerful...in the tropical zodiac 0' Aries and the ascendant are considered extremely powerful.

Question 7: Do you feel comfortable changing from extremely strong 12-based orientation to a more continuous spectrum of numbers?

I feel extremely comfortable changing from a strong 12 based orientation to a more continuous spectrum of numbers.

Question 8: What do you think of the idea that this 11-Vibration configuration describes Aretha Franklin's musical talent.....Are you comfortable with this?

I like this idea and look forward to getting more familiar with the different vibrations.

Question 9: Can you see how Leo describes the life of Jean Piaget? This is a very different idea of what Leo means. What do you think of this VA interpretation of Leo?

Jean Piaget exhibited none of the typical ideas of a super Leo...charismatic, dramatic, arrogant... but Leo as an energy or function of acute awareness of individual identity can be seen in his life work. I'm liking and leaning into this way of VA interpretation.

Question 10: Can you FEEL how the Ven-Jup-Ura bouncy 5-Vibration feeling is in the voice and music of Buddy Holly? In VA we resonate with the astrological interpretation. We feel it. It's not all a cerebral analytical analysis.

Yes, I can feel the vibration listening to his music. I also experience feeling astrological vibrations. I practiced a lot during the isolation of Covid.

Question 11: The idea in VA that each planet performs a function is radically different from other systems of astrology. Do you think that you can get accustomed to this way of thinking while working in the VA framework?

Without a doubt. I'm thrilled to get a better understanding of each planet's function or 'energy'.

Question 12: How do you feel about the idea that nothing in astrology is malefic in the sense that everything has a positive purpose?

I resonate deeply with this idea. I never really embraced the idea that a planet or aspects could be malefic...I knew instinctively that made no sense. Sure some things aren't pleasant but that doesn't make them malefic or of no good use.

Question 13:.....Eris conjunct your Moon, then the archetypal and mythic stories of these planets play out in your life. What do you think the view of VA is of this way of interpreting?

VA considers the archetypal and mythic stories to be symptoms or expressions of the function of the planet...behind them is the basic driving force or energy of the planet or asteroid.

Question 14: Did you find the letter from Carl Jung to B V Raman interesting? Do you agree me

that "archetypal astrology" is a good term for astrologer who interpret the chart as archetypal but referring to it as "Jungian astrology" isolates one part of Jung's ideas and ignores the rest so it is not a good term? (It's OK to disagree. :))

I found it fascinating and I agree that archetypal astrology is a good term to use and calling it Jungian astrology is not a good term since it falls way short of incorporating Jung's ideas...focusing on only one.

David, at some point I may disagree with you, lol, but so far, it's like you're talking my language.

Meaning of the Planets:

An intriguing idea that perhaps each planet performs a specific function.



Source: <https://www.amazon.com/Electric-Keyboard-Ohuhu-Headphone-Beginners/dp/B07Q3VFB8F>

It is interesting that all western music is produced by only 12 notes arranged in octaves!

1st Video: Meaning of planets.

In astrology we emphasize planets that are closer and larger. The Sun is 99.8% of the solar system but we do not give 99% emphasis to the Sun. A mild change on the Sun affects our ability to survive. Changes on planets do not have a big physical effect. In VA we have a way of

understanding how the Sun is 99% of importance in a sense but not in our chart interpretations. Analogy to air and water.

Question: Suppose the President or Head of Promotion and Advertising has a consultation with you and asks you to pick a time to announce their new 2023 model cars. How much emphasis do you put on the position of the Sun for the announcement?

2nd Video: (repeats mostly things we already learned).

3rd Video: Moon

Moon is associated with moods and disposition.

Moods and disposition are determined from the accumulation of past experiences.

The great many associations of the Moon in astrology makes sense!

The function that the Moon does affects many things.

Modern ideas on the Moon get very close to the meaning of the Moon that we use in VA.

The Moon connects us to the personal and collective past including our bodies.

Bob Zoller: we looked at

1. Midpoint structures in his natal chart.
2. Vibrations of this planetary configuration.
3. Look at 31-Vibe and see that this part of a powerful configuration.

This is an important video with a lot of information.

4th Video: Meaning of Sun, Moon and Planets.

Art is Venusian to the extent that the art is beautiful.

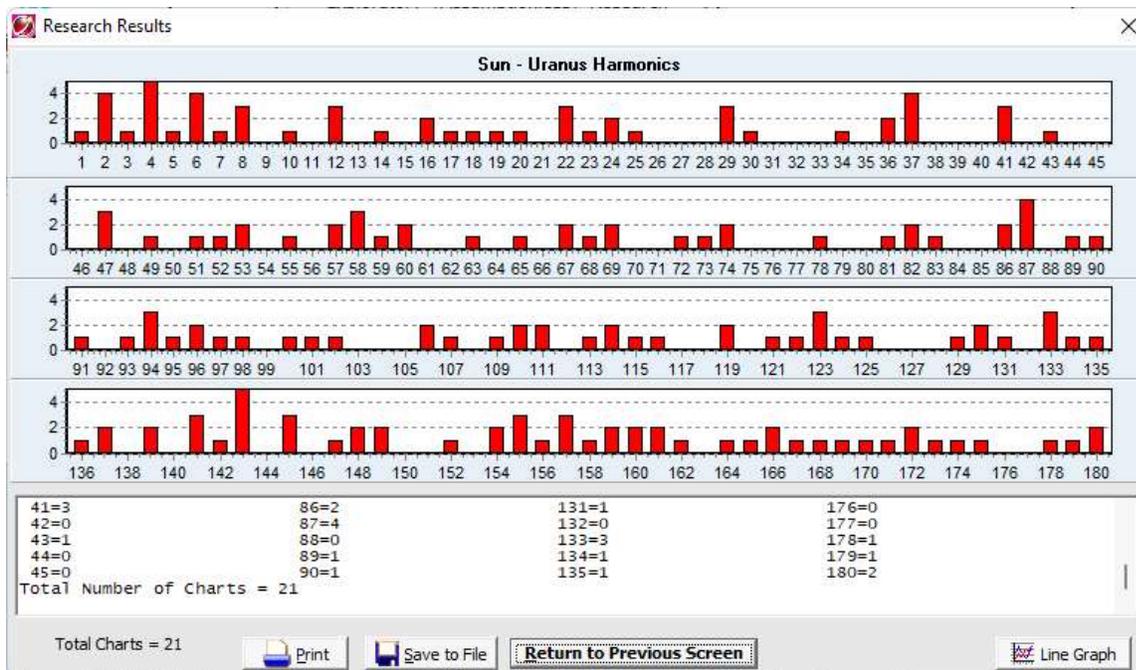
We can do charts for companies, animals, etc. and romance may not be relevant. Venus does the same thing in all charts: attraction to beauty is universal and the response to Venus depends on the intelligence, hormones, senses, etc.

According to VA, if a person has a Sun-Uranus conjunction.

Which of these activities is most likely:

playing drums, being an electrician, being an astrologer.

There are only 21 drummers in the database. Here are the vibrations that Sun-Uranus is in for these 21 people:



5th Video: Meaning of Aspects to Sun and Moon.

6th Video: Meaning of Aspects to Mercury.

7th Video: Meaning of Aspects to Venus and Mars.

8th Video: Aspects to Outer Planets

The above videos are a quick introduction to meanings of planetary pairs. I don't expect you to remember all of this. It's just to give you a first look at the meanings of the aspects. You may want to watch these videos again in the coming weeks.

9th Video: Saturn is not a Malefic. This video describes in more detail how we understand Saturn in VA and why Saturn has a reputation for being a malefic.

Note: Can we really see good and bad in the chart? We can see planetary configurations that are more difficult to express well.

Correlations of good and bad with sign and house placements can not be confirmed yet; a study of charts in a database or some other evidence that isn't cherry-picked can give us a basis for incorporating these ideas in VA.